# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

(1) ANDREW KYLE CHISM,	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
v.	)	Case No. 14-CV-227-JED-TLW
(2) THE TRAVELERS HOME AND	)	
MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY,	)	
a foreign corporation,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	

#### NOTICE OF REMOVAL

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1332, 1441, and 1446, Defendant The Travelers Home and Marine Insurance Company, a foreign corporation ("Defendant"), files this Notice of Removal of this case from the District Court of Tulsa County, Oklahoma. In support of removal, Defendant states the following:

- 1. On April 23, 2014, Plaintiff Andrew Kyle Chism ("Plaintiff") filed a Petition in the District Court of Tulsa County, Oklahoma, captioned *Andrew Kyle Chism v. The Travelers Home and Marine Insurance Company, a foreign corporation*, Case No. CJ-2014-01600 ("State Court Action").
- 2. Defendant was served by certified mail with the Summons and Petition in the State Court Action on April 28, 2014.
- 3. Defendant is filing this Notice of Removal within thirty (30) days after receipt of Plaintiff's Petition. Thus, under 28 U.S.C. § 1446(b), Defendant's time to remove has not yet expired.

- 4. Plaintiff is a resident of the State of Oklahoma. Defendant is a Connecticut corporation with its principal place of business in Hartford, Connecticut. Therefore, complete diversity exists between the parties to this case.
- 5. In addition to complete diversity existing, the matter in controversy exceeds the sum or value of \$75,000.00, exclusive of interest and costs, establishing this case is properly removed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1332, 1441 and 1446. Specifically, Plaintiff alleges that his damages are \$100,000.00, exclusive of interest, attorney fees and costs. <u>See</u> Plaintiff's Petition, Ex. 2.
- 6. The United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma is the appropriate court for filing a Notice of Removal from the State Court where Plaintiff's State Court Action is pending, and accordingly, Defendant seeks to remove the State Court Action to this Court.
- 7. Upon receiving the federally-filed Notice of Removal, Defendant will file a copy of the Notice of Removal with the State Court, and will provide written notice to all counsel, all in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1446(d).
- 8. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1446 and LCvR 81.2, a copy of the docket sheet and a copy of all documents filed and/or served in the District Court of Tulsa County, Case No. CJ-2013-03027 are attached hereto. <u>See</u> Docket Sheet, Ex. 1; Petition, Ex. 2; Service of Summons, Ex. 3.
- 9. Under the provisions of 28 U.S.C. §§ 1441(a) and (b), and all other applicable statutes, all of which Defendant The Travelers Home and Marine Insurance Company, a foreign corporation, has complied with, this cause of action is removable to the United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma.

### Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on the 12th day of May 2014, I forwarded the above and foregoing document to the following:

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